

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-74 and replace those claims with the following:

75. (New) A toy figure comprising:
- an upper torso member;
  - a lower torso member movably connected to the upper torso member, the lower torso member having a central cavity;
  - first and second shaft members extending outwardly from opposite sides of the central cavity;
  - a pair of articulating limbs connected to opposite sides of the lower torso member by the shaft members; and
  - a planar member removably disposed in the central cavity and being operatively associated with the shaft members to control movement of the shaft members.
76. (New) The toy figure of claim 75 wherein the shaft members together comprise a one-piece structure.
77. (New) The toy figure of claim 75 wherein the shaft members and the planar member together comprise a one-piece structure.
78. (New) The toy figure of claim 75 wherein the upper and lower torso members are pivotally and rotatably connected together.
79. (New) The toy figure of claim 75 wherein the pair of articulating limbs are rotatably and pivotally connected to the lower torso member.

80. (New) The toy figure of claim 75 wherein each of the pair of articulating limbs comprises a first member having a proximal end and a distal end, the proximal end of the first member connected to one of the shaft members, the first member comprising two shells and concealed means for securing the shells together.

81. (New) The toy figure of claim 80 wherein each of the pair of articulating limbs further comprises a second member connected to the distal end of the first member, wherein the second member has a proximal end and a distal end, the second member having a retention element at its proximal end, wherein the shells of the first member capture the retention element of the second member.

82. (New) The toy figure of claim 81 wherein the retention element of the second member is a rotational element.

83. (New) The toy figure of claim 82 wherein the rotational element is a disk.

84. (New) The toy figure of claim 81 wherein the second member is of one-piece construction.

85. (New) The toy figure of claim 81 wherein each of the pair of articulating limbs further comprises a third member with a proximal end and a distal end, the proximal end of the third member pivotally connected to the distal end of the second member.

86. (New) The toy figure of claim 85 wherein each of the pair of articulating limbs further comprises a fourth member pivotally connected to the distal end of the third member.

87. (New) The toy figure of claim 85 wherein the third member is of one-piece construction.

88. (New) The toy figure of claim 86 wherein the fourth member is of one-piece construction.

89. (New) The toy figure of claim 85 wherein one of the distal end of the second member and the proximal end of the third member comprises a bore and the other of the distal end of the second member and the proximal end of the third member comprises a pin to engage the bore.

90. (New) The toy figure of claim 89 wherein the pin is concealed within and integral with one of the distal end of the second member and the proximal end of the third member.

91. (New) The toy figure of claim 75 wherein each of the pair of articulating limbs comprises a first member having a proximal end and a distal end, the proximal end of the first member connected to one of the shaft members.

92. (New) The toy figure of claim 91 wherein each of the pair of articulating limbs further comprises a second member having a proximal end and a distal end, the proximal end of the second member connected to the distal end of the first member.

93. (New) The toy figure of claim 92 wherein the second member is of one-piece construction.

94. (New) The toy figure of claim 92 wherein the proximal end of the second member comprises a retention element captured by the distal end of the first member.

95. (New) The toy figure of claim 94 wherein the connection between the distal end of the first member and the proximal end of the second member forms a movable joint.

96. (New) The toy figure of claim 94 wherein the retention element comprises a rotational element.

97. (New) The toy figure of claim 96 wherein the rotational element comprises a disk.

98. (New) The toy figure of claim 92 wherein each of the pair of articulating limbs further comprises a third member with a proximal end and a distal end, the proximal end of the third member pivotally connected to the distal end of the second member.

99. (New) The toy figure of claim 98 wherein the third member is of one-piece construction.

100. (New) The toy figure of claim 98 wherein one of the distal end of the second member and the proximal end of the third member comprises a bore and the other of the distal end of the second member and the proximal end of the third member comprises a pin to engage the bore.

101. (New) The toy figure of claim 98 wherein each of the pair of articulating limbs further comprises a fourth member pivotally connected to the distal end of the third member.

102. (New) The toy figure of claim 101 wherein the fourth member is of one-piece construction.

103. (New) A toy figure comprising:

an upper torso member;

a lower torso member movably connected to the upper torso member, the lower torso member having a central cavity;

a shaft structure comprising first and second shaft members extending outwardly from opposite sides of the central cavity and a planar member disposed therebetween, the planar member being removably disposed in the central cavity; and

a pair of articulating limbs connected to opposite sides of the lower torso member by the shaft members.

104. (New) The toy figure of claim 103 wherein the shaft members together comprise a one-piece structure.

105. (New) The toy figure of claim 103 wherein the shaft members and the planar member together comprise a one-piece structure.

106. (New) The toy figure of claim 103 wherein the upper and lower torso members are pivotally and rotatably connected together.

107. (New) The toy figure of claim 103 wherein the pair of articulating limbs are rotatably and pivotally connected to the lower torso member.

108. (New) The toy figure of claim 103 wherein each of the pair of articulating limbs comprises a first member having a proximal end and a distal end, the proximal end of the first member connected to one of the shaft members, the first member comprising two shells and concealed means for securing the shells together.

109. (New) The toy figure of claim 108 wherein each of the pair of articulating limbs further comprises a second member connected to the distal end of the first member, wherein the second member has a proximal end and a distal end, the second member having a retention element at its proximal end, wherein the shells of the first member capture the retention element of the second member.

110. (New) The toy figure of claim 109 wherein the retention element of the second member is a rotational element.

111. (New) The toy figure of claim 110 wherein the rotational element is a disk.

112. (New) The toy figure of claim 109 wherein the second member is of one-piece construction.

113. (New) The toy figure of claim 109 wherein each of the pair of articulating limbs further comprises a third member with a proximal end and a distal end, the proximal end of the third member pivotally connected to the distal end of the second member.

114. (New) The toy figure of claim 113 wherein each of the pair of articulating limbs further comprises a fourth member pivotally connected to the distal end of the third member.

115. (New) The toy figure of claim 113 wherein the third member is of one-piece construction.

116. (New) The toy figure of claim 114 wherein the fourth member is of one-piece construction.

117. (New) The toy figure of claim 113 wherein one of the distal end of the second member and the proximal end of the third member comprises a bore and the other of the distal end of the second member and the proximal end of the third member comprises a pin to engage the bore.

118. (New) The toy figure of claim 117 wherein the pin is concealed within and integral with one of the distal end of the second member and the proximal end of the third member.

119. (New) The toy figure of claim 103 wherein each of the pair of articulating limbs comprises a first member having a proximal end and a distal end, the proximal end of the first member connected to one of the shaft members.

120. (New) The toy figure of claim 119 wherein each of the pair of articulating limbs further comprises a second member having a proximal end and a distal end, the proximal end of the second member connected to the distal end of the first member.

121. (New) The toy figure of claim 120 wherein the second member is of one-piece construction.

122. (New) The toy figure of claim 120 wherein the proximal end of the second member comprises a retention element captured by the distal end of the first member.

123. (New) The toy figure of claim 122 wherein the connection between the distal end of the first member and the proximal end of the second member forms a movable joint.

124. (New) The toy figure of claim 122 wherein the retention element comprises a rotational element.

125. (New) The toy figure of claim 124 wherein the rotational element comprises a disk.

126. (New) The toy figure of claim 121 wherein each of the pair of articulating limbs further comprises a third member with a proximal end and a distal end, the proximal end of the third member pivotally connected to the distal end of the second member.

127. (New) The toy figure of claim 126 wherein the third member is of one-piece construction.

128. (New) The toy figure of claim 126 wherein one of the distal end of the second member and the proximal end of the third member comprises a bore and the other of the distal end of the second member and the proximal end of the third member comprises a pin to engage the bore.

129. (New) The toy figure of claim 126 wherein each of the pair of articulating limbs further comprises a fourth member pivotally connected to the distal end of the third member.

130. (New) The toy figure of claim 129 wherein the fourth member is of one-piece construction.

131. (New) The toy figure of claim 103 further comprising an articulating limb comprising:

a first member having a proximal end and distal end, the first member comprising two shells and concealed means for engaging the shells together;



a second member of one-piece construction with a proximal end and a distal end, the second member having a rotational member at its proximal end to form a movable joint with the distal end of the first member when the two shells of the first member are joined together to capture the rotational member; and

a one-piece third member with a proximal end and a distal end, the proximal end of the third member pivotally connected to the distal end of the second member.

132. (New) The toy figure of claim 131 wherein one of the distal end of the second member and the proximal end of the third member comprises a bore and the other of the distal end of the second member and the proximal end of the third member comprises a pin to engage the bore.

133. (New) The toy figure of claim 132 wherein the distal end of the second member comprises a bore and the proximal end of the third member comprises a pin to engage the bore.

134. (New) The toy figure of claim 131 further comprising a fourth member having a proximal end and a distal end, the proximal end of the fourth member connected to the distal end of the third member to form a movable joint therebetween.

135. (New) The toy figure of claim 134 wherein the movable joint formed between the third and fourth members is a pivoting joint.

136. (New) The toy figure of claim 131 wherein the proximal end of the third member is molded within the distal end of the second member.

137. (New) The toy figure of claim 136 wherein the second member comprises a first material having a first melting point and the third member comprises a second material having a second melting point that is higher than the first melting point.

138. (New) The toy figure of claim 137 further comprising a fourth member that comprises a material having a melting point lower than the second melting point.

139. (New) The toy figure of claim 134 wherein the distal end of the third member is molded within the proximal end of the fourth member.

140. The toy figure of claim 131 wherein the rotational member comprises a disk.